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EVENTS



Important fund-raising dates abroad, important meetings with Government or other conservation organisations, or wildlife expeditions AfriCat is attending will be announced on this page. Keep your ears pricked up and book ahead for an up-close and personal experience with the Foundation and the team who dedicate their time protecting the carnivores of Namibia.

LATEST EVENTS:

2014

CHRIS PACKHAM'S WILD NIGHT OUT TOUR CONTINUES IN 2014

On tour with his latest exquisite collection of images.

Chris goes wild across the country with an entertaining and informative look at some of nature's most popular and interesting species.

Illustrated with his superb photographs from around the world and from his beloved UK, he explains the fascinating ecologies and behaviours or a range of creatures from Leopards to Barn Owls, from Cheetahs to Pond Skaters, from Polar Bears to Peregrines.

A chance for AfriCat members to hear this illuminating presentation and meet the AfriCat UK Team at the same time.

2014 Theatre Dates:

DATE	VENUE	BOX OFFICE
05/02/2014	7.45pm The Royal & Derngate, Northampton	Box Office: 01604 624811
06/02/2014	7.30pm The Playhouse, Weston-Super-Mare	Box Office: 01934 645544
07/02/2014	7.30pm The Central Theatre, Chatham	Box Office: 01634 338338
11/03/2014	7.30pm West Cliff Theatre, Clacton-on-Sea	Box Office: 01255 433344

12/03/2014	7.30pm Shanklin Theatre, Isle of Wight	Box Office: 01983 868000
17/03/2014	7.30pm Opera House, Buxton	Box Office: 08451 272190
25/03/2014	7.30pm Muni Theatre, Colne	Box Office: 01282 661234
27/03/2014	7.30pm Pavilion Theatre, Rhyl	Box Office: 01745 330000
11/04/2014	7.30pm Concorde Club, Eastleigh	Box Office: 02380 613989
15/05/2014	7.30pm Camberley Theatre	Box Office: 01276 707600
01/07/2014	7.30pm Number 8 Art Centre, Pershore	Box Office: 01386 555488
02/07/2014	7.30pm Solihull Arts Complex	Box Office: 01217 046962
03/07/2014 & 04/07/2014	7.30pm The Platform Morecambe	Box Office: 01524 582803
05/07/2014	7.30pm The Albert Halls Bolton	Box Office: 01204 334400
06/07/2014	7.30pm Rotherham Civic Theatre	Box Office: 01709 823621
07/07/2014	7.30pm The Wyvern Swindon	Box Office: 01793 524481
08/07/2014	7.30pm Guildhall Winchester	Box Office: 01962 857240

AFRICAT'S ANNUAL HEALTH, DENTAL & VETERINARY CHECK – 30 JUNE TO 10 JULY 2014

AfriCat now only has one annual vet & dental-check a year, but the process has been extended from 3 days to 10 days.

During these few important days the veterinarians keep the whole operation running smoothly - by adeptly anaesthetising nervous individuals, thoroughly examining each carnivore whilst administering a drip preventing dehydration, keenly offering information to the enthusiastic visitor who may have come to AfriCat specially for this once-in-a-lifetime experience, to see one of the Big Cats close enough to touch!

This year's health-check will be very different to any other AfriCat Annual Cheetah Checks!

Dr Marthinus Hartman and his 11-man team of professors, specialists, students and technicians will be joining us this year during the first week.

The AFRICAT ANNUAL HEALTH-CHECK TEAM - will consist of:

30 June to 10 July

TORDIFFE / STEENKAMP TEAM

Dr. Adrian Tordiffe (Darting, anaesthesia and sample collection)

Dr. Ashleigh Tordiffe (clipping and surgical preparation. Focus on processing samples)

Dr. Gerhard Steenkamp (dental procedures and general health checks)

Dr. Sonja Boy (assisting Dr. Steenkamp with all dental procedures)

Dr Mark Jago (M.E.T representative)

29 June to 4 July

HARTMAN TEAM

Dr Marthinus Hartman (heads the specialist team and perform the surgery)

Prof Friik Stegman (monitor the anaesthetised cheetahs throughout the surgery and manage the ventilators)

Prof Johan Schoeman (Dr Hartman's supervisor)

Prof Eric Monet (American specialist surgeon - will be the 2nd surgeon)

Dr Gareth Zeiler (Specialist anaesthetist. He will manage the anaesthesia of the cheetahs during the surgery together with Prof Stegman)

Sr Jana Stander (assist Dr Hartman and Prof Monet)

Dr Martin Schulman (vaginal swab evaluations and will perform the abdominal ultrasound examinations prior to the surgery)

Dr Robert Kirberger (diagnostic imaging specialist, he will be doing the abdominal ultrasound evaluations prior to the surgery)

+ 3 technicians from Karl Storz

30 June to 8 July

RESEARCHER FROM THE IZW: **Bettina Wachter**

30 June to 15 July

PHOTOGRAPHER: **Simon Palmer**

30 June to 10 July

AFRICAT SPONSOR & ASSISTANT: **Sarah Cullen**

VOLUNTEER GROUP ONE: STEPPES DISCOVERY, UK/EUROPE (6 – 8 PAX)

30 June OUT 3 July - AM

VOLUNTEER GROUP TWO: ULTIMATE SAFARIS, USA (6 – 8 PAX)

3 July – OUT 8 July

If you are going to be visiting OKONJIMA close to the end of JUNE or early JULY- try and fit your visit in-between these busy AfriCat days.

Dr Tordiffe, Dr Steenkamp and Dr Mark Jago, together will head the 2014 AfriCat Annual Health-check. Dr Tordiffe is planning to carry on with the more in-depth health checks on the cheetahs than what were done prior to the 2013 vet-checks. He plans to now collect the same data every year from each cheetah if possible, so that he can get some long term data and evaluate trends. This way, AfriCat's welfare programme can assist long-term carnivore research, adding to the over-all conservation of the species.

[read more: Annual Health Check](#)

[read more: Annual Dental Check](#)

A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEND TIME INTERACTING WITH THE VETS & TO WITNESS VETERINARY PROCEDURES OF THIS SCALE.

AfriCat has to cover all the vet's accommodation and transport costs from SA – YOUR SUPPORT WILL BE WELCOMED!

Go to the Donate on line

Sponsor an Annual Dental check

Sponsor an Annual Health check

See previous vet checks: Health Check 2012

See previous vet checks: Health Check 2013

AFRICAT'S ANNUAL HEALTH, DENTAL & VETERINARY CHECK – 30 JUNE TO 10 JULY 2014. DO YOU WANT TO BE A VOLUNTEER?

THIS YEAR AFRICAT IS OFFERING 2 EXCLUSIVE 'BEHIND-THE-SCENES' / HANDS-ON, VOLUNTEER-SAFARIS TO OKONJIMA.

STEPPES DISCOVERY UK, & ULTIMATE SAFARIS NAMIBIA, ARE THE MAIN AFRICAT ANNUAL HEALTH-CHECK SPONSORS and have long been admirers of AfriCat's innovative approach towards the conservation of Namibia's large carnivores; "We have been impressed with their ability to adapt as the demands of conservation change and commend their commitment to using responsible tourism as an essential tool in protecting Namibia's big cats. While they continue to rise to the ever changing challenges of conservation in Namibia we will continue to support their crucial work." Jarrod Kyte.

UK & EUROPE: Contact JARROD or JACKIE www.steppesdiscovery.co.uk **for wildlife and conservation travel and book your space – FIRST COME, FIRST BOOKED – 8 PAX MAX!**

USA: Contact TRISTAN COWLEY www.ultimatesafaris.na/about/safaris **for wildlife and conservation travel and book your space – FIRST COME, FIRST BOOKED – 8 PAX MAX!**

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Green Living Project	Okonjima	World Animal Adoption Program	IUCN Red List of Threatened Species
Jane Goodall	Richard VanRenson	Okonjima	Kavita Lion Lodge
Dian Fossey	Tusk Trust	Chris Packham - Wildlife, Places &	Namib Desert Environmental Education
	Vetdent SA	People	Trust
	World Society for the Protection of	Tusk Trust	Namibian Environment & Wildlife Society
	Animals (WSPA)	Cymot	Namibian Nature Foundation
		Steppediscovery	Namibia Ministry of Environment &
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Mammals
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